

**The Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers**  
**July 16, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted July 16, 2014, at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members Present

Granville Smith, Chairman  
Dorothy Newberry  
Dr. Jim Lockett  
Melanie Abner, Secretary

Occupations and Professions Staff Present

Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator

Others Present

Jeremy Reed, Assistant Attorney General  
Byron Brentlinger, Board Investigator

Members Absent

Dr. Gary Wortz

**Call to Order**

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the May 21, 2014 meeting. Dr. Lockett seconded that motion and it carried.

**Review of Financial Statements**

The Board reviewed their financial statements from the months of May and June 2014.

**O&P Report**

Ms. Lane reported the office is continuing to work with the Commonwealth Office of Technology and the project is almost complete with the new database and online renewal system. Ms. Lane explained that the office has spent the last several weeks in training and believes this is going to be a great asset for the Board and for the licensees. Each licensee if they choose to renew online will have their own profile that they will set up with their own login information that allows them to review their records and print their own rather than requesting those records from the office. Ms. Lane asked the Board if they would like for her to send a letter to all licensees explaining how the new system will work and the benefits to renewing online. The Board agreed and asked Ms. Lane to move forward with sending a letter explaining the new online license renewal system.

**Board Counsel Report**

Jeremy Reed, Assistant Attorney General introduced himself to the Board and gave his background in law. Mr. Reed is working to finish one last settlement agreement that the Board is expecting.

### **Ophthalmic Inspector Report**

Mr. Brentlinger reported he had no report for this meeting as he was allowing his last contract to run out. Mr. Brentlingers new contract took effect July 1, 2014.

### **Licensure Status Report**

Ms. Lane reported there are currently 203 Active Apprentice Licensees, 600 Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 119 Inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

### **Approval of Apprentice Applications**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Apprentice Applications:

1. Misty Rouse – Huffman and Huffman, London, KY
2. Niquel Van Hoover – Gaddie Eye Center, LaGrange, KY
3. Teresa Holbrook – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Paintsville, KY
4. Lola Shelburne – Vision Works, Louisville, KY
5. Susan Bitely – Costco, Louisville, KY
6. Tyler Greer – US Vision, Louisville, KY
7. Andrea Kegley – Best Optical Solutions, Vanceburg, KY
8. Julio Perez – Dr. Barnes Eyemart Express, Florence, KY
9. Maura Hazzard – Lenscrafters, Louisville, KY
10. Nicole Johnson – Lenscrafters, Louisville, KY
11. Molly Baldrige – Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY
12. John Ruiz – Eyeglass World, Lexington, KY
13. Bethany Hunt – Pearle Vision, Lexington, KY
14. Brandi Sorrell – Edgewood Eye Center, Edgewood, KY
15. Renee Murrell – US Vision, Bowling Green, KY

Dr. Lockett seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Approval of Practical Exam Applications**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Applications for Practical Examination

1. Dawn Moore – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Amelia, OH
2. Andrea Edgar – Vision First, Louisville, KY
3. Emily McDaniel – Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY

Dr. Lockett seconded that motion and it carried.

There was also an application for licensure as an Ophthalmic Dispenser from a Florida resident who had already taken the practical exam and obtained their ABO and NCLE. Ms. Abner made a motion to approve that application. Dr. Lockett seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Additional Business**

The Board had 2 guests that came to speak about their issues and concerns with the National Practical that the Board requires now for licensure in the state of Kentucky. Apprentice Michael Selm spoke about the difficulties of an exam that is computer based and he feels doesn't speak for the expertise of those taking the exam as minor adjustments can lead to incorrect answers. Mr. Selm explained that he uses the equipment tested on in the exam everyday in front of his sponsor and is doing everything correctly so he can't understand why the exam says different. Mr. Selms sponsor, Ophthalmic Dispenser Jermaine Macaraniag explained to the Board that all though he understands why the Board has switched to this form of exam he believes the negative side to the exam are how the results are given. When an examinee receives their results they're given on a pass/fail scale. This doesn't allow the examinee to understand what they may have done wrong or give them the opportunity to study for a future retake of the exam. Mr. Smith asked Mr. Selm what study guides he had been using and asked if a prep course had been taken. Mr. Smith then offered to suggest a different approach to the results with the NCSORB. He also agreed to check into Mr. Selms results to see what he answered incorrectly. The Board will continue to work with the NCSORB to make improvements to the National Exam process.

### **Approval of Travel and Per Diem**

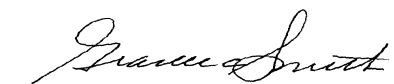
Ms. Abner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members that attended today's meeting and Chairman Smiths trip to Nashville, TN for the NCSORB Annual meeting. Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Next Meeting**

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

### **Adjournment**

Ms. Abner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:17am. Ms. Newberry seconded that motion and it carried.



Granville Smith, Chairman